

## The National Security Group, Inc. presents flags

The pictures to the right represent a recent flag presentation from The National Security Group, Inc. to Elba High School and Elba Elementary School. Each school was presented both a national flag and a state flag. Representing The National Security Group, Inc. for the presentation was Eddie Vaughan, marketing. The top picture shows Vaughan presenting the national flag to Elba High School principal Mike Williams, and the bottom picture shows him presenting the state flag to Elba Elementary School principal Mickey McCollough. The schools will fly both flags throughout the school year.

### GIVE HONOR TO WHOM HONORS DO



Bishop Hirron Williams and Linda Williams

We the family of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit at Abundant Life would like to take this time to make known to all men and women that August 17th was declared by the mayor of the City of Elba to be Bishop Mar Hirron Ignatius Williams Day in the City of Elba.

On this day four years ago he was the first African American to be consecrated as a Bishop in full vestment in the State of Alabama....So in tribute to Bishop Hirron Williams:

### In Tribute....Bishop Hirron Williams

And who do men say that you are? Some call you "The bishop," Others relate to you as "The Prophet." And many have even titled you "A Radical Preacher." But who do we say that you are? You are the Bishop and Father of this house, the one the God has divinely chosen to carry the genetic imprint and change the hearts of **A New Breed**. One who has indelibly imprinted within our spirits and minds kingdom principles, that will forever change the course of our destinies. Your teachings have liberated the captives, Rescued the perishing, Provided an oasis for those in desert place. And renewed solidarity, and singleness of vision among us as a people. Our spirits continually reverberate your precepts and examples that have been so vividly demonstrated within our midst. You've taught us to soar, to excel, To elevate our minds, think the unthinkable...To redefine our borders and challenge every obstacle! The sacrifices of your family, Pastor Linda and your children, are greatly appreciated. They have counted the cost, And yet persist in unselfishly sharing you with the rest of the world. To the Williams' family: **We Thank You!** And to those who are of The Constitution of The New Abundant Life Deliverance Ministries, The commander in Chief, and the Captain of New Abundant Life Ministries, Inc. has announced that we are now moving at warp speed! We are pioneering new frontiers, and navigating a previously uncharted course! With precision we must execute his directives. There is no room for lethargy, slumber or sleep. In rank, file and order, we must assume our places. Embrace the vision, and seize the moment.

From:

The Cathedral of the Holy Spirit at New Abundant Life Family

**WE INVITE** you to come and share in the Bishop's 4th annual celebration, Friday and Saturday night, August 17-18 at 7:30 and ending Sunday morning with a Special Minister's Consecration.

**FRIDAY NIGHT SPEAKER** - Pastor Tom Reshard, Rivers of Life Ministries, Thomasville, Georgia

**SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKER** - Minister Joel Wade, Detroit, Michigan. He will be consecrated Sunday morning.

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE** - Bishop Hirron Williams and he will also be presiding over the consecration.

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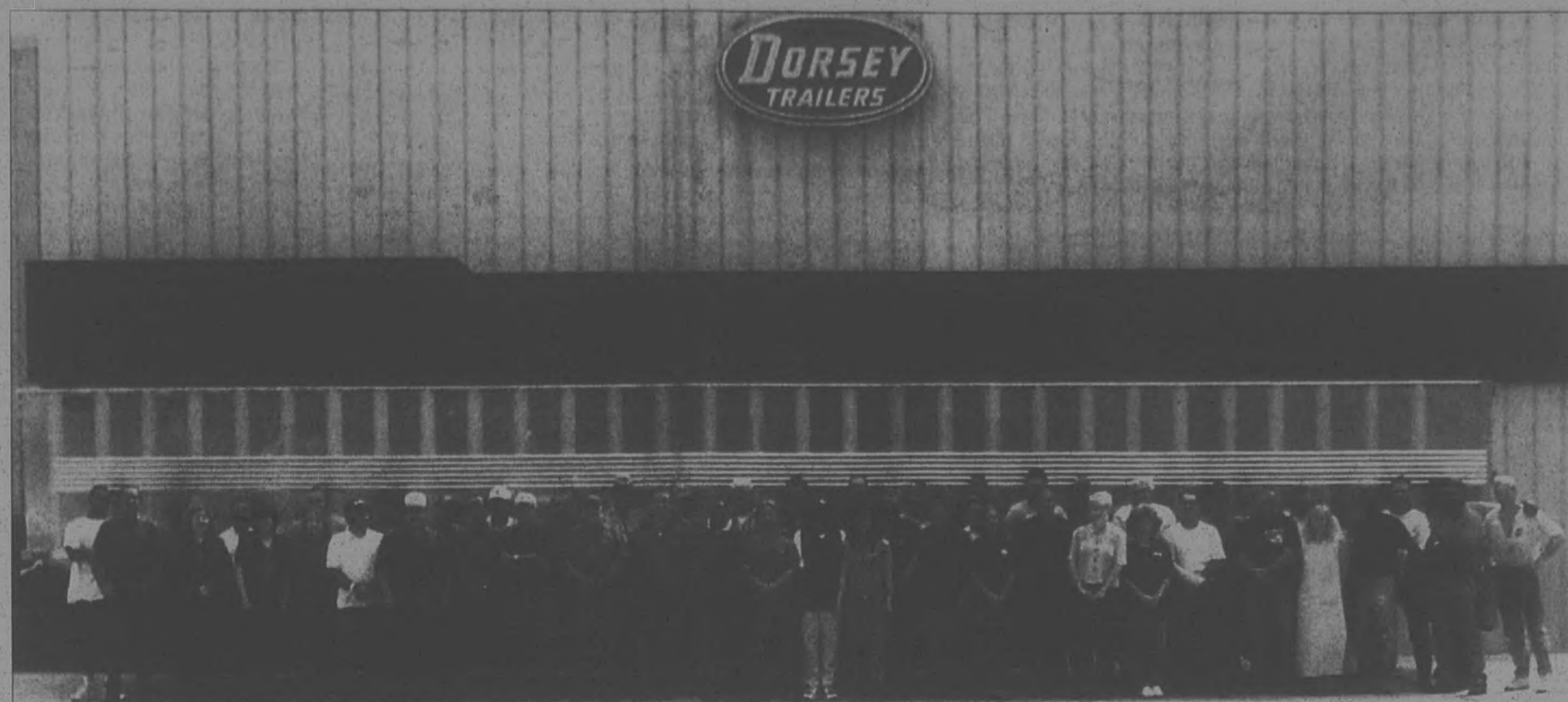
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## AEC plans power work in Elba for Sunday

Alabama Electric Cooperative announces that it will attempt to make necessary repairs to the Caroline Street substation in Elba on Sunday, Aug. 26, from 2-5 p.m.

The work will be done during this time with weather permitting and will affect customers outside the levee area of the city. Citizens in this area should prepare to be without power while the work is underway. Officials also indicate that some areas within the levee could be affected by this work and also be without power.

AEC and City of Elba officials said the work is part of an ongoing process to better serve the needs of the people of Elba. Anyone with questions concerning this planned work event should contact Elba City Hall at 897-2333.



**FIRST TRAILER SHIPPED...**The first trailer shipped from Dorsey Trailers since the company reopened was this "Fruit Hauler" which left Monday for the 2001 Florida Citrus Expo in Ft. Myers, Fla. Sales force members accompanying the trailer to the annual expo are Laura Roan, Director of Sales; Elkin Williamson, Inside Sales; and Rhonda Lyn, Public Relations consultant. This event is sponsored by the University of Florida and is a major event for the Florida fruit industry, showing off modern technology for the fruit growing and harvesting professionals with a slogan of "Progress through Technology."

Dorsey management said this week that a number of these units have already been sold to some of the larger fruit growers and additional orders for this type unit is anticipated. The sales force is also working with a number of other potential customers, including at least two major foreign firms. Pictured with this first product is the start-up workforce at the Elba trailer plant.

## EPD and ABC board seize marijuana plants

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Police Department (EPD) and Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board gathered the evidence Monday afternoon, Aug. 20, in an ongoing marijuana investigation.

Elba Police Chief R.W. Whitworth said the marijuana investigation began after his department received information that the plant was being grown in the Elba area.

He said the culmination of the investigation came Monday afternoon as officers from the EPD and ABC Board gathered approximately 50 marijuana plants which they had discovered.

ABC Board officer Jackie Farmer said the marijuana plants are estimated to be worth about \$2,000 per plant. Therefore, he said the plants confiscated Monday afternoon have an approximate value of \$100,000.

Whitworth said some of the plants seized Monday were estimated to be as tall as 12 feet.

No arrests have been made at this time in connection with the marijuana seizure; however, Whitworth said a joint



Elba Police Officer Robert Fulton and ABC board officer Jackie Farmer with the marijuana plants seized Monday.

investigation continues by the Elba Police Department and Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

## Area Happenings

**COMMISSION MEETING** The Coffee County Commission will hold its regular bimonthly meeting Monday, Aug. 27, at 9 a.m. in the Community Room of the County Complex in New Brockton.

**CITY BOE BUDGET HEARINGS** The Elba City Board of Education will hold a public hearing on Monday, Aug. 27, at 12 noon and at the regular board meeting Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the public hearings will be to present the system-wide budget and for public input on the system technology plan and Internet Safety Policy for the Fiscal Year 2002. The meeting will be held at the Elba City Board of Education office at 131 Tiger Drive in Elba, Ala. Budget forms will be available at the board office prior to the meetings.

**COUNTY BOE INTERNET SAFETY MEETING** The Coffee County Board of Education invites the community to a meeting on Monday, Aug. 27, from 6-6:30 p.m. at the Coffee County BOE office, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, to discuss the Internet Safety Policy for the school system.

**COUNTY BOE BUDGET HEARINGS** The Coffee County Board of Education will hold the first public hearing for the purpose of presenting the system-wide budget for FY2002 on Monday, Aug. 27, at 6:30 p.m. The second public hearing will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 30. Both public hearings will be held at the Board of Education office at 440 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba. Parents, teachers and interested citizens may attend these budget hearings. Budget forms will be available at the superintendent's office prior to the hearing. On Aug. 30, the Board will hold a special meeting at 12:15 p.m. to approve the FY2002 Budget.



Dennie Wooten

## New manager named at Elba MarketPlace

The Elba MarketPlace announced Tuesday, Aug. 21, the hiring of Dennie Wooten as manager of the Elba grocery store.

"I am looking forward to serving the people of Elba," said Wooten. "I already know a lot of people here and am looking for

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## Coffee County BOE hires additional personnel

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education held a brief meeting Friday, Aug. 17, to handle a few timely matters including some personnel changes.

In an attempt to better serve the children of the Coffee County School System, the board voted and approved the recommendation of

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram to approve the employment of Vicki Jones as a gifted teacher for the Coffee County Schools effective Monday, Aug. 20.

Other certified personnel changes voted upon and approved by the board during the Friday meeting including the hiring of Pam Vickers as a part-time Spanish teacher at Zion

Chapel High School, the hiring of Angela Jirright as a kindergarten teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School and the hiring of Kristy Hudson as a third grade teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School.

The employment of Jirright and Hudson was effective

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## Elba Tigers and ZC Rebels prepare for meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Preparation for the game began even before school ended last year, and Friday night, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m., two local football teams will no longer have to wait and anticipate as they hit the field for a first time ever pre-season football jamboree.

As a football season nears each year, the coaches, players, cheerleaders, band students, fans and anyone else interested in the sport are filled with anticipation and excitement as they await the season opener. It has many times been said that the importance of the first game of the season is to see what the team has to offer and where it needs to improve.

Friday night, The Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels will get an upper hand on the situation when the two teams meet for the first time ever in a pre-season matchup at Miller Memorial Stadium.

Elba Football Coach Mike Waters said his team will use the game as an opportunity to see where extra work needs to be done and give every player a chance to play and show his talent.

Zion Chapel Football Coach Randy Grant looks at the game in the same manner, and he said he feels the pre-season contest will give his young team a chance to gain some experience before beginning the regular season the following week.

However, when it is all said and done, the final outcome will have no effect on either of the team's regular season, but that does not mean the game is not extremely important to the people of each community.

First and foremost, the game will be a fund raising event for the athletic programs at each school. Therefore, any student involved with any athletic event at Elba and Zion Chapel will benefit from the attendance of Friday night's game.

The admission fee for the game will be \$5 per person and

that money will be split between the two programs at the end of the evening.

Another important part of Friday's game is the return to Miller Memorial Stadium (Foggy Bottom) for Elba fans.

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**PREPARING FOR GAME DAY...**The Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels prepare to meet for the first time ever in a pre-season football jamboree Friday night, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. The game will be played at the legendary Miller Memorial Stadium "Foggy Bottom" in Elba. Already, the anticipation level is extremely high among the players, coaches, students and fans of the two programs. Above, players and coaches from the two school meet on the field to promote the game. Those pictured include: (kneeling, l to r) Zane Tracy, #70 for the Zion Chapel Rebels and Michael Reed, #55 for the Elba Tigers; (standing, l to r) Zion Chapel Rebels Head Football Coach Randy Grant, Josh Canley, #72 for the Zion Chapel Rebels; Gavin Mauldin, #75 for the Elba Tigers; and Elba Tigers Head Football Coach Mike Waters. For a closer look at Friday night's contest, please see the "Sports Section, Page 8."

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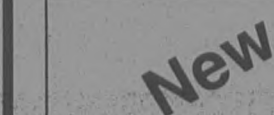


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## EDITORIAL

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

There have been some questions lately about the next step on the levee rehab project. Last week Elba Mayor James Grimes wrote a letter to the state finance director asking "Where is the money?" Grimes and the city attorney are ready to start the purchasing of the needed property, but need some real money first. The ground rules set down by the Corp. of Engineers include an agreement that all the property will be paid for by the city *before* the project is built. As of this writing the bond issue, including the Elba levee funds, that was pushed by Governor Siegelman and authorized by the Alabama Legislature have not yet been sold. Elba folks have not been given any indication exactly when that will happen and thus are getting a bit nervous about the whole waiting game.

Tuesday's noon news on CNN was full of bulletins. Of course the expected announcement from the Federal Reserve on interest rate cuts was there. Live reports on the reaction of Wall Street to the interest rate cut was aired several times. Also there was a live report and personal interview on the man in Kentucky who successfully received the artificial heart a couple of months ago. There was another one or two, but we get so much news from so many places in this day of instant communications, our little old brain has just learned to tune out more than it can retain without strain.

Sunday we heard a sermon that should make people think, regardless of their religion or lack thereof. The verbal picture was of a man standing in a cemetery, looking down at a grave marker. The dates were 1908 - 1984 or something similar. Of course the first date is the year the person was born. The last number is the year of his or her death. In between there is the dash, which represents all the person did during the years from birth to death. Each of us is in full control of what makes up that often very long dash. What we are remembered for happens during that time. Ironically, we received a family e-mail Monday with astonishing comments about one of our great-grandmothers. The part of her dash the books of family "roots" report includes the fact that she had her first child at age 17, the 13th one at age 40 and lived to be 72 years old. That probably wasn't even tidbits for conversation in those days, but today 13 children would make her the talk of the town. What appears astonishing to us for her day is the fact she gave birth to 13 children and still lived to be 72 years old. . . . and all that was without modern life saving medical knowledge and medications. We won't mention her maiden name, as there are a bunch of Coffee County folks with the same last name. Most of them have worked hard to give the name respectability and this is just not the time to destroy their work by announcing that yours truly possibly shares a bloodline with them.



KELLI SMITH HAS 5 YEARS OF SERVICE with South Trust Bank. Ms. Smith is the Loan Processor at the Elba Office. Shown here is the CEO, Ted Roberts and Ms. Smith.

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## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, August 13, 2001, investigated the following incidents: two for assault, four for theft of property, one D.U.I., one disturbance, one criminal mischief, one interference with custody and two for disorderly conduct.

The following arrests were made: one for assault, one for D.U.I. and one for failure to appear.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for no tag, one for driver's license not in possession, eight for speeding, one for driving without driver's license, one for an expired tag, four for no insurance, one for suspended driver's license, ten for violation of the seat belt law, two for running a stop sign, one for reckless driving, one for a revoked driver's license, two for no driver's license and one for traveling the wrong way on a one-way road.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:  
MONDAY, AUGUST 13 - River stage - 6.71 feet (6:20 a.m.); Kids throwing rocks at a residence reported on Cedar Lane Drive (4:07 p.m.); Routine activity.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

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- ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
- ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
- ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Monday - 5:30 p.m. City Hall
- WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Monday following city council meeting - City Hall
- GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP every Monday, 6:30 p.m. Elba United Methodist Church enter on side on W. Davis St. Maggie Gatten Classroom
- COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
- LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Center Center
- ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thur. - 2:30 p.m. Supr. Office
- AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thur. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
- MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m.
- BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School
- VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5858
- COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. Club House
- COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon Colony Inn, Enterprise
- AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 1st Tuesday at noon, City Hall Conference Room
- AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month
- CIVIL AIR PATROL - Every Monday 7 p.m. - Elba Airport - Driscoll hangar
- ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - Mondays - 6:30 p.m. - Elba Cafeteria

The above notices are for informational purposes only. For more information, call the appropriate organization.

## House passes Patients' Bill of Rights

by Congressman Terry Everett

On July 2, The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bipartisan comprehensive Patients' Bill of Rights. This legislation will improve the lives of Americans by making health care more accessible and affordable, while holding HMOs accountable for their decisions.

The House-passed Patients' Bill of Rights places the health of patients first. It guarantees every patient in all 50 states new federal protections when they are denied the health care they deserve. The Patients' Bill of Rights allows patients to appeal decisions by their HMOs which deny them needed medical services to an independent board of doctors.

Some in Washington were instead pushing for a plan that promotes "massive" lawsuits through federal courts, believing this would benefit the average American. Ironically, their efforts, if successful, would have proved just the opposite - driving up the cost of medical coverage to the point that fewer families could afford it and some businesses would not offer it.

However, the House passed a bill that protects patients and their families from paying the costs of unnecessary and expensive litigation that will increase their health care premiums and jeopardize their health insurance coverage. The bottom line is doctors and patients get to make important medical decisions, not attorneys and HMO executives.

Patients need to be protected. The Patients' Bill of Rights gives patients access to emergency room and specialty care, direct

access to obstetricians, gynecologists and pediatricians, access to needed prescription drugs, and approved clinical trials and health plan information.

The Patients' Bill of Rights gives you, the patient, a stronger voice in healthcare decisions and strengthens your rights as a patient. It gets rid of HMO "gag clauses" that prevent doctors from discussing certain health care options with their patients. It has consumer choice provisions that give patients more choice of doctors. And it contains the continuity of care protections that allow patients to continue to see their doctor if they are terminally ill, pregnant or awaiting scheduled surgery - even if their doctor leaves the HMO.

The Patients' Bill of Rights provides access to private sector health care for working families through Association Health Plans (AHPs). AHP's empower small business owners and farmers to join together to purchase quality health care at affordable prices. Conservative estimates predict that small businesses and farmers could lower their health insurance costs by 15 to 30 percent. AHP's could also provide coverage for up to 8.5 million hard-working Americans and their families.

The Patients' Bill of Rights breaks new ground in patient care and protection and is an important step forward in health care reform. It can be improved further by the addition of a federal medical malpractice law capping damages and setting time limits to lawsuits in order to limit frivolous lawsuits. I'm hopeful this much needed provision can be added as the bill goes to conference with the U.S. Senate.

## ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of August 13, 2001, through August 19, 2001. They were: Mary Jackson, Francis Johnson, Ella Calloway, Evelyn Hollman, Sherry Moore, Timothy Winters, One Barlow, Albert Armstrong, Chester Eiland, Silas Mauldin, Taylor Deal, Chadwick, Brooksville, Estelle Ramey, Zade Johnson, Mary Robinson, Willie McClain, Betty Burks, Ruthie Belcher, Kenneth Johnson, Kristy Miles.

Cole Wilson, Anne Esposito and Dominique Miller.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Louise Halliwell, Hazel Parker, Francis Johnson, Ella Calloway, Timothy Winters, Silas Mauldin, Albert Armstrong, Betty Burks, Mary Jackson, Evelyn Hollman, Chadwick Brooksville, Zade Johnson, Mary Robinson, Kristy Miles, Willie James, McClain, Deal Taylor, One Barlow, Ruthie Belcher, Sherry Moore and Ken Johnson.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

THE MOST ART OF PIE BAKING.

I saw with interest the mention in last week's paper of the Elba Industrial Development Board and its 40-year history. I don't doubt the sincerity of abilities of its members, but I must comment about industrial development in South Alabama and Elba in particular. I don't see much in the old days, or so I hear (I like to think I'm not that old.) people MADE THINGS HAPPEN. Now it seems we only hear about getting a federal grant for this or for that, and for the other, during in some OLTSDIE company with these huge concessions, or projects that another plan doesn't close because of forces beyond our control, or maybe under our control but we won't accept our share of the blame. Everybody competes with everybody else for smaller and smaller pieces of the same "pie," or tries to bring in somebody else's pie. What ever happened to baking your own pie? Where is the American Dream in Elba, Alabama? It is no wonder that Alabama does not prosper.

I have a company, of sorts, with a marketable product with a growing worldwide market. I get inquiries from all over the world. They ask about our company and I have to say that I haven't found a competent team of interested people here to make it happen because nobody wants to try anything new. That's not good business. Yet the old has

n't worked, as shown by the last 40 years and more. The business organizations I know concentrate on social activities, rather than making anything happen. Our schools are turning out many competent skilled workers, our business schools are training how to run businesses. But nobody does it - and everybody wonders why there are so few decent jobs, why they even went to school, and how to lasso somebody else's pie and drag it to Alabama. Isn't it time we learned to cook?

Jesse Blenn  
897-6132

Dear Editor,

Like most holiday weekends, Labor Day is a time when many people "hit the road". Unfortunately, every year, statistics show that too many of these folks combine their weekend automobile excursion with alcohol. Over the 2000 Labor Day Weekend, there were six fatalities on Alabama's highways. Two were alcohol related. One of the dangers of drinking is that it instills a false sense of when one has had too much to drive safely. The more alcohol consumed, the less likely the driver will recognize his impairment. This is where the slogan "Friends don't let friends drive drunk" fits home. It often takes another to recognize when the driver has had too much.

Other psychological factors of driving after drinking is heightened sense of bravado which could affect actions, impaired

judgment as far as speed and distance are concerned, and lessening of ability to perceive dangerous situations. Often the impaired driver will drive too slowly, rather than too fast, which can create dangerous predicaments for other drivers.

Another problem with holiday weekends is that the return home is often delayed until late evening, thus taking advantage of every moment of the get-away. Fatigue and sleepiness are exacerbated by alcohol consumption, and that, coupled with the added challenges of night driving, can lead to tragic results.

It is important that drivers remember that after alcohol intake, driving skills are impaired. With that in mind, ACATA (Alliance Countering Alcohol Tobacco Advertising Targeting Youth) and SpectraCare are sponsoring a statewide public awareness campaign over the Labor Day Weekend Stay Off the Bottle. Enjoy the Road (S.O.B.E.R.). Use a designated driver who is completely alcohol-free, buckle up and drive carefully for a safe holiday.

Sincerely,  
Susie Kingry, Director  
SpectraCare Prevention Services

SHARE YOUR VIEWS  
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Elba COC banquet set for Thursday, Sept. 27

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet on the evening of September 27. The Elba High School commons area is the site of the banquet, and it is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.

This year's banquet will again feature an awards ceremony for those businesses and individuals that have gone the extra mile to make Elba shine.

The businesses of the year, commerce of the year and volunteer of the year are a few of the awards that will be given at the ceremony.

The chamber will also be presenting a video that features three businesses that demonstrate the work ethic that the chamber tries to encourage and support. Door prizes will be given away, but the individual

must be present to win. Dress for the event is casual.

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## Obituaries

ANNIE MARGARET EILAND MEDDERS

Mrs. Annie Margaret Eiland Medders, age 70, died Aug. 14, 2001 at Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan following a short illness.

Mrs. Medders was a former Coffee County resident. Funeral services were held Aug. 17, 2001 from the Chapel of Wyatt Funeral Home in Opp with Dr. Steven Yohasz of Catawba Springs officiating. Burial followed in the Liberty Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Jerome Wicker, Gregg Eiland, Roy Eiland, Johnny Thornton, Dennis Eiland and Eddie Lloyd. Mrs. Medders was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Eiland of the Basin Community, her husband, Vernon Medders and three brothers: Glenn, Malcolm and James Eiland.

Survivors include her son, Vernon Medders Jr., her daughter, Dianne and Stephen Judino, Lakeland, Fla., four brothers: Osborn, Jarvis and Edward Eiland, Elba, Tim Eiland, four sisters: Louise Miller, Baywood, Lucille Thornton, Hope, Hull, Ala., Addie Pearl Forbes, Hope, Carolyn Bradley, Dothan, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

SARAH FRANCES CLARK MANWARING  
Mrs. Sarah Frances Clark Manwaring, age 78, of Thomasville, Ga., died Aug. 21, 2001 at her residence.

Mrs. Manwaring was born in Kinston, Ala. on Aug. 29, 1923. Graveside services and burial will be Friday, Aug. 24, 2001 at 1 p.m., at Peaceful Acres in Opp, Ala., with Rev. Daniel Smoak officiating. Allen and

Allen Funeral Home of Thomasville, Ga. will handle the arrangements.  
Mrs. Manwaring was preceded in death by her parents, William H. (Buddy) Clark Jr., Huntsville, Ala., and one sister, Ana Laura Booth, Geneva.

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SARAH FRANCES CLARK MANWARING  
Mrs. Sarah Frances Clark Manwaring, age 78, of Thomasville, Ga., died Aug. 21, 2001 at her residence.

Mrs. Manwaring was born in Kinston, Ala. on Aug. 29, 1923. Graveside services and burial will be Friday, Aug. 24, 2001 at 1 p.m., at Peaceful Acres in Opp, Ala., with Rev. Daniel Smoak officiating. Allen and

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# SPORTS

Views from....

## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Things have been pretty quiet around the Mularz house on most mornings since school started, primarily because even though Melanie was already back in school, Melissa was still on vacation and was still sound asleep while everyone else was getting ready to head out. That will all come to an end this week, however, because Melissa will have to get up early to head off to college and that will no doubt cause a few traffic jams around the bathrooms and in the halls. Here's hoping for the best, but if you hear some strange noises early in the morning in the days ahead, it won't be the storm siren, just two sisters working out their problems.

### "THRILLER AT MILLER" GRABBING THE SPORTS HEADLINES FOR COUNTY GRID FANS

It has been billed as the "Thriller at Miller" by one area t-shirt designer, but no matter what you call it, Friday night's preseason football game between the Elba Tigers and the Zion Chapel Rebels will be one that fans from both schools talk about for many months to come. The game will be a positive for both schools since both teams didn't have a spring game, and it will give the players and coaches the chance to take a short break from the rigors of preseason drills and allow the players to hit someone besides their teammates, and allow the coaches to evaluate their players in a game before the actual start of the season. It will also be a positive since the two schools will split the gate from the game, and hopefully pump some much needed revenue into the athletic programs of the two schools that are struggling with the effects of proration. The fact the game is being played at Miller Memorial Stadium has created quite a stir among Elba Tiger fans, and many fans have been heard saying that they will go to the game just because it is back at the "old stadium" where Elba Tiger football was started, and enjoyed many banner years. I don't care why anyone plans to attend, I just want the fans from both teams and all former Elba fans to make the trip down to Miller Friday night and pack the place. Downtown Elba has been quiet long enough, let's rock the place Friday night and show the players from both teams that they have your support!

### BOTH COACHES APPROACHING GAME WITH FEW CHANGES IN PLAN - PLAY WELL AND WIN

I have talked with both Mike Waters and Randy Grant about this weeks preseason game, and while both coaches make it clear that their teams are going to try to win the game, they don't hesitate to add that the game will do their teams a lot of good as the regular season draws near. Elba was beset by injuries and a lack of numbers back in the spring and was forced to cancel the annual "Black and Gold" game. Zion Chapel saw its spring go from exciting to disappointing just as quick as players left the team and it too wasn't able to play a spring game. All coaches like the chance to see their teams in action before the season kicks off, and this game Friday night will certainly serve that purpose. Elba will dress out thirty varsity players for the game and be under the guidance of new head coach Mike Waters, and the Tigers and their coaches will get the chance to see just how much all the hard work during the off-season has helped. Zion Chapel will dress only nineteen players, but veteran coach Randy Grant is also anxious to see just where his team stands, and playing a 3A team will give the coaches a good idea of just where they are one week before the beginning of the season. I think this game will be great for both programs and I hope it will be the beginning of a tradition between the two cross-country teams. The schools compete in basketball and softball already, and it is a natural rivalry for both schools.

### YE OLE POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR FAILS TO PUT PRESEASON BATTLE "ON THE BOARD"

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator stopped by the office over the week-end and said that although he was looking forward to this week's Elba-Zion Chapel preseason match-up, it was just a three quarter jamboree and he didn't think it would be right to put the game on the board and pick a winner. He did, however, leave a few words of wisdom....

*"The Tigers return to Foggy Bottom should get the blood pumping for any true Elba Tiger fan, and the Rebels from up in North Coffee County had better have both barrels loaded when they arrive along the banks of the levee for Friday night's preseason battle. It may be true that both coaches will use the game as a gauge on how for their teams have come in summer workouts, but you can bet both coaches know how important it will be to play well, and they also know that the scoreboard will be turned on. Elba Tiger fans know that when the lights come on at Miller Stadium something exciting happens, and that will be the case Friday night!"*

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### Friday night at Miller Memorial Stadium

## Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels to meet for first time ever in preseason football jamboree



Coach Waters sees game as chance to evaluate all players

The Elba Tigers will move from the practice field to the turf of Miller Memorial Stadium on Friday night, Aug. 24, when they meet the Zion Chapel Rebels in a preseason football jamboree, and while the preseason game will be a first for the Tigers, Coach Mike Waters feels the game will be good for his team. "The game Friday night against Zion Chapel adds to practice," said Coach Waters, "in that it gives the players something to look forward to and gives them the chance to stop banging heads with each other and hit someone else. We are going to approach the game as a chance to play all of our players, and the coaches will react in an actual game. We want to see what our players can do, and every single player on our team will see action."

When Waters was asked about the 2001 Tigers, the new Elba head coach stated, "I like this team and like what they have done in the weight room and in summer workouts. We have been slowed by a few injuries and have had to change a few schedules due to the heat. We are not where we need to be at this point, but we have got a lot done and need to hit somebody else."

"We won't do anything fancy Friday night," said Waters. "Our running game is a little ahead of our passing game right now, and we will just line up and see who wants to play football. We have a little experience in the line and at quarterback, and hope to execute our offense without making many mental mistakes. Over on defense we have our base package in and even though we won't be big, we think our quickness will be an advantage. We want all eleven defensive players to meet at the football, and that will come from being aggressive and wanting to do one's best on every single play."

When the Tigers line up Friday night for the preseason game, the offense will be led by returning quarterback Brandon Petty (5-10, 165) and a trio of returnees up front in center Patrick Tyson (5-9, 225), guard Michael Reed (6-1, 260) and tackle Gavin Mauldin (6-6, 270). Returnee Jason Curran (6-0, 185) has been moved from guard to fullback, and will help lead the way for the tailback tandem of Quinton Moultry (5-9, 160) and Todd Horstead (5-9, 165), both of whom saw limited action a year ago.

With overall team quickness bringing a plus on the defensive side of the ball, the Tigers will look for big plays out of cornerbacks Mandrell Carpenter (5-9, 145) and Kyle English (5-10, 155), and defensive ends Chris Bryant (5-11, 160) and Zee Daniels (5-9, 150). Linebackers Marcus Henderson (5-10, 165) and Jason Curran will anchor the defense, which has shown a desire to hit anything that moved in preseason drills.

"We have some very tough games on our schedule early in the regular season and have to place a priority on those games," admitted Coach Waters, "but this game Friday night will be a big game for our overall program, and I expect our players to go out and give it everything they have every time the ball is snapped on Friday night against Zion Chapel. The time has come to find out about or team."

Area high school football fans will get the chance to wet their appetites a week before the start of the regular season on Friday night, August 24, when the Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels meet for the first time ever in a preseason contest at Miller Memorial Stadium.

The preseason game will kickoff at 7 p.m., and admission at the gate will be \$5 per person. Advance tickets and student tickets will be available at the school. All proceeds from ticket sales will be split between the two schools to help finance their athletic programs. "Both our programs had some problems with a lack of numbers back in the spring and neither team was able to play a spring game," said Elba's Coach Mike Waters, "and this game will give the coaches and players a short break from the grind of summer workouts and also give the fans a chance to see the teams in action. It will also serve as a fund raiser for both teams, with the two schools to split the gate. The game might mean more to the die-hard fans than it really means to coaches and players. However, I can assure you the players will be playing to win, and it should be a lot of fun for everyone involved."

"When we weren't able to play a spring game I began to toss around the possibility of playing a preseason jamboree," said Zion Chapel's Coach Randy Grant. "I knew that Elba had some problems with their spring workouts due to injuries and a lack of numbers, and thought it might be interesting and be a big money maker if we could get together for a game. After several weeks we all got together, and Friday night the two county teams will meet for the first time ever. It will be important to us because it will give us a chance to scrimmage against another team, and give us the chance to get a good look at all of our players in an actual game setting. It will also be important because it will be a fund raiser for both teams, and hopefully the game will generate some much needed revenue in these days of proration."

The game will consist of three 12-minute quarters for the varsity teams, with the junior varsity teams from both schools to hit the field for the fourth quarter of action. While the game will be an actual high school contest, some special rules will be in effect. Kick offs will be live. However, there will be no rushing on punts and the punt returner will signal for a fair catch and the ball will be placed where it is caught. On extra points, only the kicking team will be on the field to attempt the kick.

"There is no doubt the game will be beneficial for our team," said Coach Waters. "Our players have been hard at work ever since the last game of the season a year ago getting stronger and faster, and have been working hard in the heat since school started on the practice field. We still have a lot of work to do before the start of the season, but this game will give the coaches the chance to see the players in an actual game, and will give the players the opportunity to hit someone else and see how much their hard work has paid off. We are all excited about the game and hope that all Elba Tiger fans come out and support their team and the junior varsity by packing our side of Miller Memorial Stadium."

"We are looking forward to the game and believe it will be good for our players and coaches," added Coach Grant. "We haven't been able to hold a full scale scrimmage since the preseason workouts began, and our team needs to scrimmage before it takes the field next season in the regular season opener. This game will give us the opportunity to see how our players react in an actual game, and we as coaches will get a better idea of where we need to work the most in the final days leading up to the season opener. The funds raised will help both schools support their athletic programs, and it will also be fun for the fans from both schools. The game looks like a total positive event for both teams, and I hope everyone that enjoys high school football will come out and see the teams in action."

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

#### "Eyes of the Tigers"

QB	Brandon Petty	5-10, 165
FB	Jason Curran	6-0, 185
TB	Quinton Moultry	5-9, 155
TB	Todd Horstead	5-9, 165
LB	Marcus Henderson	5-10, 165
G	Michael Reed	6-0, 260
T	Gavin Mauldin	6-6, 270

#### "Rampaging Rebels"

QB	Wesley Grant	5-11, 165
FB	Michael Rayborn	6-0, 170
TB	David Calhoun	5-11, 165
T	Josh Camley	6-1, 210
G	Zane Tracy	5-11, 165
G	Jarod Flowers	5-6, 170

### Elba Athletic Club to sell signs and memberships Friday night

The Elba Athletic Club will be active Friday night at the Elba-Zion Chapel preseason football game signing up new members for the club and selling Elba Tiger yard signs and caps. Membership in the "Black and Gold" Club is \$50 per family and entitles the member to either two free caps, two free t-shirts or one of each item.

A regular club membership is only \$25. However, it does not include caps or t-shirts for the members.

This season the Elba Athletic Club is also selling yard signs for only \$10. The signs have a picture of a Tiger in the middle of the sign and includes "We Support the Elba Tigers!" on the sign.

Elba Tiger caps will also be on sale at the game for \$15. The Elba Athletic Club exists to provide financial support for the entire athletic program at Elba High School and Elba Junior High School, and supports varsity and junior high football, boys and girls varsity, junior varsity and junior high basketball; varsity baseball; varsity and junior varsity softball; varsity, junior varsity and junior high volleyball; varsity golf; and varsity and junior high cheerleaders.



Coach Grant sees nothing but positives in Friday night game

The Zion Chapel Rebels will dress out only 19 varsity players and will have only three returning starters on the field Friday night when they challenge the Elba Tigers in a preseason high school football game. However, the Rebel coaches and players are excited about the upcoming contest, and Coach Randy Grant feels the game will give his team valuable game experience before its season opener.

"We haven't been able to do very much actual team work in preseason practice due to a lack of numbers," said Coach Grant, "and we haven't been able to scrimmage at all. The game Friday night will be out first scrimmage since practice began, and we will use this game as a chance to see how our players react in an actual game, and we as coaches will get a better idea of where we need to work the most in the final days leading up to the season opener. The funds raised will help both schools support their athletic programs, and it will also be fun for the fans from both schools. The game looks like a total positive event for both teams, and I hope everyone that enjoys high school football will come out and see the teams in action."

While the 2001 Rebels appear to be in a rebuilding year, Zion Chapel will return three starters in the line and three players in the offensive backfield with varsity experience. Josh Camley, a 6-1, 215 pound, tackle, will anchor the Rebels up front on both offense and defense, and will be joined in the trenches by returning starters Zane Tracy (5-11, 165) and Jarod Flowers (5-6, 170). Wesley Grant (5-11, 165) was the Rebels' back-up quarterback last season and will step into the starting position this year, while fullback Michael Rayborn (6-0, 170) and tailback David Calhoun (5-11, 170) both have limited varsity experience, and will be counted on to help the Rebels move the football.

"We had a big game come out in the spring," added Coach Grant, the 2000 coach of the year honoree by The Dothan Eagle, "but a lot of the players quit and we didn't have enough to play a spring game. When we came back in the summer some of the players that stuck it out the spring didn't come back, while some that didn't play in the spring did come out. We have 19 varsity players right now and feel like that will be our team this fall. We lost 10 seniors off last year's team that made the playoffs and it is without a doubt a rebuilding year."

"The lack of numbers is a concern," admitted Coach Grant. This group of players works hard every single day and seems to work a little harder every time they hit the field. We couldn't ask any more out of this group of players. We have some players that have never lined up in a varsity game and some players that have had to learn new positions, but they have never once complained, and are willing to do whatever is best for the team."

"We will play to win Friday night against Elba and will enter the game with a plan on offense and defense," said Grant. "We as coaches also want to see how the players react in the game and we think the game will do our team a lot of good. We are looking forward to playing."

# SPORTS

### Marty Catrett grabs second place finish

## Elba's Blake Streetman and Tim Hudson claim wins in feature races at South Alabama Speedway

By Mark Chisum

To promote better, more exciting racing, South Alabama Speedway's rules put the August 4 winners in the rear of the pack to start. That's where Royce Johnston started twice on Saturday night, August 11. But the Florida veteran was up to the task and came back to win the Late Model Feature.

Nix Bruce started on the pole, but Ed Baker quickly made his presence known, charging by Bruce on the second lap to take the lead. Johnston made the move to the front, and after following Baker for a couple of laps, made his move to the inside coming out of the second turn. Johnston looked as though he was ready to cruise to another win, but got into the back of a lapped car, sending both to the rear with just eight laps to go. Johnston got some help when two cars in front of him on the restart got into the front stretch wall in separate incidents, allowing Johnston to move to fourth on the restart. Johnston made quick work of the first two cars, and then moved easily under Baker again for the lead, as Baker began to experience mechanical problems. Johnston went on to score his sixth win of the season. Marty Catrett's second place finish was his season's best, as was Danny Wolfanger's third place. Baker was listed as fourth and Bruce fifth.

In Super Street, it's been all Jeff Smith this year, and Saturday was no different. Smith came from the eighth starting spot, to take the win, his ninth straight. Dwayne Vinston was second, Marty Bean third, Brian Fuller fourth, and Lee Mason fifth.

In the Street Stock Feature, Blake Streetman took the lead on the first lap and went on to win his fourth win of the year. Derek Deese was able to press-

sure Streetman a couple of times, but Streetman held on, and eventually won by two car lengths. Jody Henderson pulled double duty and finished third to go along with his Super Stock win. Brian Martin was fourth, and IMCA Modified winner Timbo Kendrick finished fifth.

Tim Hudson passed Jason Singletary with just two laps to go to win the Roadrunner Feature. Todd Boswell also got by Singletary on the last circuit to finish second. Dennison Reeves placed fourth in his second start, with J.R. Andrews rounding out the top 5.

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 3. Danny Wolfanger  
 4. Ed Baker  
 5. Nix Bruce  
 6. Joey Harrelson  
 7. DNS Ken Pettis, Jimmy Boyett, Bob Jones  
**Super Stock**  
 1. Jody Henderson  
 2. Tommy Adams  
 3. David Ashley  
 4. Bill Bowers  
 5. Ray Hudson  
 6. Eugene Kearley  
 7. Kenny Parker  
 8. Blake Foley  
 9. Dubby Lewis  
 10. James Jordan

**IMCA Modified**  
 1. Timbo Kendrick  
 2. Tom Galbreath  
 3. Doug Rogers  
 4. Tommy Lackey  
 5. Jacob Permenter  
 6. Kevin Peel  
 7. Scooter Grace  
 8. Jamie Aler  
 9. David Lewis

**Super Street**  
 1. Jeff Smith  
 2. Dwayne Vinston  
 3. Marty Bean  
 4. Brian Fuller  
 5. Lee Mason  
 6. Billy Ammons  
 7. Bobby Deese  
 8. Harold Hurt  
 9. Danny Wolfanger

**Street Stock**  
 1. Blake Streetman  
 2. Derek Deese  
 3. Jody Henderson  
 4. Brian Martin  
 5. Timbo Kendrick  
 6. Jamie Bowers  
 7. Danny Cooper  
 8. Dalton Spears  
 9. Kenneth Adkins  
 10. Harold Hurt

**Roadrunner**  
 1. Tim Hudson  
 2. Todd Boswell  
 3. Jason Singletary  
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 5. J.R. Andrews  
 6. Ernie Deswell  
 7. Keith Peacock  
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### Team bass tournament set for September 1 at Wetumpka

The Wetumpka Exchange Club will sponsor its 18th annual "Rumbling Waters" team bass tournament on Saturday, September 1, with cash awards to the top teams totaling \$4,550.

The entry fee is \$100 per boat, with \$10 per boat for the optional biggest bass pot. Launching will take place

behind the Wetumpka City Hall at 6:00 AM, and fishing will be allowed on the wetumpka, Tallapoosa and Alabama Rivers. Boats must return by 3:00 PM. There will be a seven bass per boat limit with all-bass having a 12 inch minimum. To enter, or for more information, call Henderson Traylor at 334-567-4534.

### Hunter Education Course to be taught at County Farm Center

Hunter education courses will be offered at various sites around the state in coming months, according to the schedule recently released by the Alabama Conservation Department's Wildlife and Fisheries Division.

The courses will be taught by instructors certified by the Wildlife and Fisheries Division, and are mandatory for all first time hunting license buyers born on or after August 1, 1977.

The course satisfies the requirements of Alabama law, and involves training hunter ethics, state wildlife and hunting laws, firearms handling and safety, muzzle loading, archery, wildlife identification and management, outdoor survival skills and first aid.

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Let's Go...

## Outdoors with Ben

by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist



Don't Let The Bear Get You

One of my first summer jobs was working with my uncle loading hay onto trucks in his hayfields. We would then unload and stack the hay in huge, hot, barns with tin roofs. During short breaks my friend and I would wrestle while the older workers rested.

Several older farm workers warned us the "bear" was going to get us if we didn't slow down and cool off. At first I thought they might really be a bear lurking around the edge of the hayfield just waiting for a juicy snack. I soon realized they were not talking about a real bear getting me, but were referring to succumbing to heat exhaustion. How this colloquialism ever got started is beyond me. But if you hear an old timer talking about the "bear getting you", at least in the Deep South, they are referring to the same thing my friends in the hay field were many years ago-heat exhaustion.

Just this past week two young football players died while practicing football. When young men who are presumably in good health fall due to heat, it doesn't take a Rhodes Scholar to figure out the adverse affect extreme heat has on us older, out of shape sportsmen. One misconception is that you have to be engaged in strenuous activity to fall victim to a heat related illness. This simply is not so. I have seen at least two dove hunters pass out just sitting in the field. Sitting in an open boat for long periods of time during a heat wave can also spell trouble.

There are three classifications or syndromes of heat related illnesses. The first is heat cramp, which is the most benign of the heat syndromes. This condition usually follows strenuous exercise. Water and electrolyte solutions are recommended for treatment.

The second and most common of the heat syndromes is heat exhaustion or heat prostration. This condition is brought on by the failure of the cardiovascular responses to control the effects of high external temperature. It is more common in older people but can affect any age. If you experience dizziness, headaches, nausea, vomiting or fainting move to a cooler location, lie down and drink water.

Heat stroke is the third and most dangerous of the heat syndromes. It usually occurs when the temperature exceeds 90 degrees accompanied by high humidity. A heat stroke victim should be rushed to a medical facility immediately.

Outdoor enthusiasts can minimize risks by drinking plenty of water, wearing loose fitting cotton clothes in light colors and a well-ventilated hat. Plan activities for early and late when it's cooler.

And remember, if you are engaged in strenuous activity during hot weather, and someone tells you "It looks like the 'Bear' is about to get you!" Don't panic and don't drink a cold beer or a cold drink of water and go sit under a tree. That will keep the "Bear" away.

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## Bonnie DeVaughan receives degree from UA

The University of Alabama Tuscaloosa campus, Bonnie Louise DeVaughan was among the graduates receiving degrees on this day. Exercises held Saturday, Aug. 11, in Coleman Coliseum on the

Lucille Ball commemorative stamp unveiled by US Post Office

Lucy Baxley, State Treasurer, recently joined Postmaster John Mitchell, of the United States Postal Service in the official unveiling of the Lucille Ball commemorative stamp.

Lucille Ball, America's Queen of Comedy, is the seventh honoree featured on commemorative postage stamps in the Legends of Hollywood series issued by the United States Postal Service. Treasurer Baxley was asked to assist in the unveiling "because she is the best known 'Lucy' in Alabama," according to local postal officials.

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## Zion Chapel seventh grader recognized in Duke University Talent Search



Lashonda S. Cole

## Horton graduates from U.S. Coast Guard Training Center

Coast Guard Fireman Bradley T. Horton, son of Vibra E. Smith, New Brockton, and Irby L. Horton of Enterprise, recently graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, NJ.

Horton is a 2000 graduate of Enterprise High School.

## Jack student receives Troy State University scholarship

Cheryl A. Grissett, a Troy State University student from Jack, has received a Millie Huff Ezell Scholarship for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Grissett, a 1989 graduate of Zion Chapel High School, is an elementary education major. She was a member of the ZCHS band and color guard.

Members of the Ezell family established the memorial scholarship to aid students pursuing teaching careers.



## Donna Compton receives Troy State University Scholarship

Donna Compton, a Troy State University student from Enterprise, has received a Dr. Emmett Kilpatrick Perpetual Memorial Scholarship for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Compton, a senior majoring in business, is a 1998 graduate of Bramley High School. She is a member of several honor societies, including Alpha Lambda Delta, Gamma Beta Phi, University Honors Alliance and the Trojan All-Stars.

The Kilpatrick Scholarship was established in 1984 to honor the memory of a former TSU professor.

"Retailer of the Year" awards to be given

The Alabama Retail Association recently announced that nominations are being accepted for their annual "Retailer of the Year" Awards for the State of Alabama. The program is held in conjunction with the University of Alabama. The awards will be made during Retailing Day in October at the University.

Nominations are now being accepted. The deadline for nominations is August 17, 2001. Nominated retailers must have a physical presence in the operation of their business located in the state. Once ARA receives a nomination, the nominee will be sent a complete entry form to be used in the judging process. Completed entries will be due September 7, 2001.

Finalist will be selected in three categories by sales volume: \$2 million and under; \$2-10 million; and \$10 million up. A Bronze, Silver and Gold Award will be presented in each category. The finalist will be invited to attend the awards luncheon on October 23 at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.

For additional information on the "Retailer of the Year" Awards or to make a nomination, call Alison Wingate at (334) 263-5757 or (800) 239-5423. Nominations can also be made on-line in the Awards section of the website, [www.alabamaretail.org](http://www.alabamaretail.org) by clicking on the Retailer of the Year logo.

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**DREW FLOYD PLAYED** Coach Pitch ball for the Mets of Milbrooke, Ala. He played short stop and ended the season in 3rd place on the team. He is the son of Heather and Bob Floyd.

## NEW ARRIVAL

MONTANA PAIGE JORDAN



Montana Paige Jordan

Marsha and Chris Jordan of New Brockton, Ala., would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Montana Paige Jordan. She weighed 10 pounds and was 21 1/4 inches long. She was welcomed by her brothers, Blake and Caleb, and grandmothers Rita and Alfred Davis of New Brockton, Ala.; and Sandra and Danny Jordan of Elba, Ala.

## ESJC announces Summer Semester Honor Rolls

Enterprise State Junior College (ESJC) officially announces the names of students achieving recognition through the fall semester honor rolls.

The Dean's List, also compiled at the end of every semester, recognizes full-time students (scheduling 12 or more hours), who maintain a minimum of a 3.50 GPA during the semester. The summer semester list recognized 29 students.

The list included Courtney Chappell and Sharon Thompson from New Brockton and Sheryl Brunson, Marcella Childs and Wanda Kelley of Elba.

## ESJC to offer Social Dance course

You can learn how to dance divinely with Enterprise State Junior College's Social Dance (Ballroom) course. You'll learn basic steps and styling in the foxtrot, waltz, and swing. There will also be an introduction to the rumba. Registration is accepted only if you have a partner. Classes will be held on Mondays, September 10-November 12, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in ESJC's Lurleen Wallace Hall—Student Center, Multipurpose Room. There is a \$94.00 per couple fee, and the registration deadline is September 4. The band meets on Mondays, September 10-December 10 (excluding

November 12), 6:00-8:00 p.m. For more information, call 393-ESJC ext. 234.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



**MISS NPF CONTESTANTS** met recently at Wallace College for orientation for this year's Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant, to be held at the Dothan Civic Center, Saturday, Oct. 20, at 7 p.m. Pictured L-R are: Miss Clayhatchee - Erica Alane Boswell; Miss Enterprise - Lindsay Leigh Hall; Miss Coffee County - Miranda Karle; Miss Elba - Casey Holloway; Miss New Brockton - Ashley Lauren Green; and Miss Zion Chapel - Mallorie Leigh Bedsole. Preliminaries for the pageant will be held at the Dothan Civic Center, Friday, Oct. 19, 7:00-9:00 p.m. - Evening Gown - 7 p.m.

## Elba Elementary School Menu Aug. 27 - 31, 2001

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
<b>Monday</b> - Cheese Sandwich, Orange, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Monday</b> - Hot Dog, French Fries, California Style Vegetables, Sliced Peas, Milk
<b>Tuesday</b> - Pancakes, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Tuesday</b> - Bar-B-Que Pork, Rice, Fried Okra, 1/2 Orange, Milk
<b>Wednesday</b> - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Wednesday</b> - Chicken a la King, Corn, Noodles, LR, Sliced Peaches, Milk
<b>Thursday</b> - Pop Tart, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Thursday</b> - Corned Beef, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Cornbread, 1/2 Apple, Milk
<b>Friday</b> - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Friday</b> - Chicken Sandwich, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Chocolate Cake, Milk

## Alabama families encouraged to plan ahead with PACT program

Lucy Baxley, State Treasurer and Chairman of the Alabama Prepaid Affordable College Tuition (PACT) program, encourages Alabama families to plan ahead for the cost of college by enrolling children in PACT during the annual September enrollment. The College Savings Plan Network of the National Association of State Treasurers and Governor Don Siegelman have declared September as College Savings Month.

PACT was established by the Alabama Legislature in 1989 and continues to offer an excellent opportunity for families to prepare for the enormous costs of college. "PACT offers affordable, flexible and tax-advantaged savings options that can fulfill the dream of education for Alabama's children — our most precious resource," said Treasurer Baxley.

PACT has enrollment for over \$9,000 children and adults. In its third year, PACT has vaulted at over \$578 million. Last year, PACT paid out more than \$19.8 million in college benefits to public, private, and out of state institutions of higher learning. This fall 11,500 college students will be eligible to receive PACT benefits.

Recent changes in state and federal laws make PACT more attractive than ever. Restrictions on residency have been removed, making it possible to enroll children living anywhere. Legislation passed in 1998 gave state income tax exemption on all benefits paid by PACT, and recently Congress also declared these benefits exempt from federal income tax.

## ESJC community band open for fall semester membership

Enterprise State Junior College's Community Band is open for fall semester membership. This unique opportunity provides recreation through musical participation for those who have a background in instrumental music. Members must furnish their own instruments. Through participation in Community Band, members will gain in their knowledge of musical elements and in performance skills. There are no auditions for membership. There is a \$10.00 fee to take this course through Community Services, and it may be taken for one hour of college credit with regular tuition fees imposed. The registration deadline is September 4. The band meets on Mondays, September 10-December 10 (excluding

November 12), 6:00-8:00 p.m. For more information, call 393-ESJC ext. 234.

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## Coffee County NAACP plans monthly meeting for Aug. 25

The Coffee County NAACP Branch # 5017 will hold its monthly meeting at Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church Saturday, August 25, 2001. The executive board meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the regular membership meeting starting at 10:30 a.m. all members and prospective members are urged to attend. The NAACP is open to everyone regardless of race, color, creed, national origin or age. The NAACP is the largest and oldest civil rights organization in America. Come join the NAACP freedom fighters for a new century. For more information call 393-6747 or 347-7896.

## Forest Service officials plan meeting for Aug. 23 in Andalusia

Forest Service officials are preparing to hold public meetings at the ranger district locations during the month of August.

"We are still in the process of revising the Land and Resource Management Plan for the four national forest and are holding these meetings to let everyone know where we are in that process," said Rick Morgan, planning and natural resources team leader. "We want to review what has happened so far and share with everyone interested what is being planned for the remainder of the process."

All meetings will be held in the evening from 6 to 8 p.m. and are open to the public. Information about the planning process will be shared during the first hour and the Planning Staff will spend the remaining time visiting with the public and answering questions.

"We want these meetings to be as informal as possible and allow time for productive interaction," said Morgan. "This format is flexible and we will be able to spend time with those attending the meetings."

The group of professionals writing the plan will hold weekly meetings at the Supervisor's Office each Monday except on holidays (meeting will be held the next day). Those meetings begin at 9:30 a.m. and are also open to the public. For additional information about the public meetings, visit our website at [www.southernregion.fs.fed.us/Alabama/whatsnew.htm](http://www.southernregion.fs.fed.us/Alabama/whatsnew.htm).

A meeting will be held Thursday, August 23, 2001 at Conecuh Ranger District, Ranger Office at US Highway 29 (1 mile South of town) Andalusia.

## April Amy Wise gets scholarship

April Amy Wise of Coffee Springs, received the Junior College Transfer Scholarship to attend Troy State University. Dothan, April, a recent graduate from Enterprise State Junior College, plans on majoring in Accounting at TSUD. This two-year, half tuition scholarship is available to students who have recently graduated from area community colleges.

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## ACJF currently accepting grant applications

The Alabama Civil Justice Foundation is currently accepting applications for grants from non-profit organizations which assist disadvantaged, disabled and at-risk families and children. The deadline for having a proposal to the ACJF office is October 1, 2001. The grants, which will be announced in December, will be awarded for programs conducted during 2002.

"The ACJF has awarded over \$3,000,000 in grants to charitable organizations. These funds have assisted in providing services in every Alabama county," according to executive director Sue McInish. "We are especially excited this year because we anticipate being able to award more grants during any prior year," she said.

"The grant process is competitive," McInish said. "We will be looking for quality programs which provide opportunities for citizens to have adequate food and shelter, good health care, a safe environment in which to live and work, a sense of well-being, a quality education, and the chance to

work and earn a living - all critical elements of a civil and just society," she explained.

To apply, organizations must have IRS tax exempt status and meet other grant guidelines, according to McInish. "Grants average between \$3,000 and \$4,000 each, but may be as high as \$10,000," she said. "Grant application instructions can be received by contacting the ACJF office, P.O. Box 1549, Montgomery, AL 36102, or [acjf@mindspring.com](mailto:acjf@mindspring.com).

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